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**KRUGER INC. TO TEMPORARILY RESUME OPERATIONS AT ITS
SAINT-ROCH-DE-MÉKINAC SAWMILL**

Montréal, Québec, February 10, 2010 – Kruger Inc. today announced that it will resume operations at its Saint-Roch-de-Mékinac sawmill for 18 weeks starting in February, in order to process its inventory of harvested timber. Operations will resume gradually, with about 15 employees to be called back to work on February 15 for debarking operations. Then approximately 75 additional employees will return to work on March 1 for sawmill, drying and transportation operations. Kruger Inc. will also recall 18 employees for planing operations at its Saint-Séverin-de-Proulxville mill on March 22, 2010.

Operations will continue until early July, after which they will again be suspended indefinitely. The Company had to halt operations at all of its sawmills last September due to market conditions, especially continuing weak demand for lumber and a strong Canadian dollar.

Founded in 1904, Kruger Inc. is a major producer of publication papers, tissue, lumber and other wood products, corrugated cartons from recycled fibres, green and renewable energy and wines and spirits. The Company is also a leader in paper and paperboard recycling in North America. Kruger operates facilities in Québec, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador and the United States and has 9,000 employees.

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